

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001818
Date 3 January 2018

Benchmarking Lunch Clubs, Counselling, Stroke Support and Disabled Persons User Led Organisation (DPULO)

Request:

I am looking to get in contact with someone in the Adult Social Care (ASC) Department at your Council who will be able to assist me in getting data for the following areas:

1. Lunch clubs
2. Counselling
3. Stroke support
4. Disabled Persons User Led Organisation (DPULO)

For each of the above services, I would like to know:

1. Does the Adult Social Care (ASC) department fund this type of service?

1. Lunch Clubs

We do have a Community Activities contract which includes day services and activities. This provision requires Provider's to make personal connections and relationships in their local neighbourhood and build capacity of local communities; and better prepare and respond to the needs of older people for greater social participation and inclusion; improved wellbeing; informed signposting and the development of new skills to better enable independent living. Providers may include a lunch service as part of their day care/activities offer.

Service users are also offered personal budgets and they can choose to use their Personal Budget to access lunch clubs. The estimated annual contact value for the Community Activities for Adults is estimated at £450,000. The contracts were awarded in December 2016 and are reviewed annually.

The Community Activities for Adults Providers are:

1. Aladdin's Education Ltd
2. Beacon Centre for the Blind
3. Get Well Stay Well
4. Harmony Care Homes (2003) Limited
5. Hayward Befriending

6. Heantun Housing Association Limited
 7. Heath Town Senior Citizens Welfare Project
 8. Newhampton Arts Centre
 9. Places for People Leisure
 10. St. Columba's Day Centre
 11. The ExtraCare Charitable Trust
-
2. **Counselling**
Health funded.
 3. **Stroke Support**
Health funded.
 4. **Disabled Persons User Led Organisation (DPULOL)**
The Council contracts with Ideal 4 All which is a user led registered charity and provide people with support for taking a direct payment and securing services. Direct Payments are cash payments made to individuals who have been assessed as being eligible for funded care and support in line with the Care Act (2014) eligibility criteria; they are intended to give individuals greater choice in their care as they enable individuals to choose not to receive services purchased by The City of Wolverhampton Council ("The Council") instead choosing to receive a payment in lieu of these to arrange their own support. The approximate annual contract value is £65,000. The contract was awarded in October 2017, and is a two year contract.

If yes:

2. What is the broad description of the service(s) funded?
3. Who are the providers? (List names)
4. What is the annual spend by ASC on this service?
5. What is the eligibility criteria for people to access the service?
6. Is ASC currently planning any changes to this commissioning?
7. Any other useful information?